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Subject: NYTimes Background Call

Attachments: 2016_11_29 CropLife Petition re Epi Data EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0316-0026.pdf; 2016_12_28 EPA OPP Epidemilogy and

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From: Eric Lipton [mailto:lipton@nytimes.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2018 5:04 PM
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Subject: Speaking with someone Monday about epidemiology and pesticide decisions

I wanted to talk with someone at EPA about how epidemiology is used in pesticide decisions. I have read the attached document.

I wanted to ask questions like

- 1) How useful is epidemiology in pesticide decisions and why is it important, if you thin it is
- 2) CropLife in Nov. 2016, see below, filed a petition asking EPA to "halt regulatory decisions that are highly influenced/determined by results of epidemiological studies that do not meet well-defined data quality standards, and that are not integrated into the health risk assessment in a transparent, well-defined manner." Any interim or final registration review decision for Phosmet could potentially be impacted by EPA consideration of the epidemiological studies identified in the CLA petition. What ended up happening with this

- 3) How would the Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science proposal impact, if at all, your ability to use epidemiology in pesticide decisions, and if not, why not.
- 4) I also have questions about organophosphates, including making sure I understand what the 10X debate is about, and what the timeline is for reevaluating this class of pesticides and where the agency stands on health impacts and potential use of epi studies for this effort.

I really hope we can discuss all of this without just getting formal written responses to these questions. Let me know if we can have this conversation on Monday. It could be a mix of on the record and on background.

This is a case where the story is not yet drafted and we want your input in advance to help influence the story.

Thanks in advance

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